



2014-15 ECA Guidance

Spring 2015 ECAs – Two Components

- **Graduation examination**
 - Items aligned to Indiana Academic Standards (2000 Algebra I, 2006 English 10)
- **Accountability assessment**
 - Items aligned to college- and career-ready Indiana Academic Standards (2014 Algebra I and English 10)

Instructional and Assessment Guidance

- Provides “granular” view of standards
- Informs curricular and instructional priorities
- Provides transparency regarding assessments
- Available for ECA-related Graduation Examination
- Watch for *Instructional and Assessment Guidance* aligned to the ECA accountability assessment component.

Experience CCRA *(Teachers encouraged to use as an instructional tool!)*

- Technology-enhanced item types
- Training for students and educators
- Engaging and interactive

Acuity for Algebra I and English 10

- Continue Predictive forms for the ECAs
 - Assesses Graduation Examination content
- NEW CCR-aligned items for use by teachers
 - Assesses accountability assessment content

Resolution – 2015-16 Assessments *(Passed by Education Roundtable and State Board of Education)*

- Summative Assessment (Grades 3-10)
 - Grade 10 ISTEP+ becomes new Graduation Examination
 - Phase-out ECAs (Algebra I, English 10)
 - High School Science Assessment based on Biology I
- IREAD-3
- Alternate assessments (Grades 3-10)
- Formative assessments (Grades K-10)
- College- and Career-Readiness Exam (Grade 11)
- Grade 11, 12 assessments (focused on college and career)

Spring 2015 ECA Development & Implementation

Assessment Aligned to College- and Career-Ready 2014

Indiana Academic Standards (IAS)

Activity	ECA Timeline
Specification Review Meetings and Test Blueprint Development	September/October 2014
Passage Review Meetings	October 2014
Item Development	October/November 2014
Content and Bias/Sensitivity Review Meetings	November/December 2014
Pilot New ECA Items (Late Winter Testing Window)	Late February/Early March 2015
Administer Assessment (Spring Testing Window)	April/May 2015
Standards Setting (Cut-Score Setting)	Summer 2015

Support for Educators: ECAs – Projected Timeline

Note: The timeline below is tentative. Dates are subject to change.

Support	Timeline
Test Blueprints	Posted Late Fall
Instructional and Assessment Guidance	Posted Late Fall
Acuity CCR-aligned Items	Available Late Fall
Professional Development (Recorded Sessions): Open-Ended Items and Technology-Enhanced Items	December/January
Experience College- and Career-Ready Assessment (Sample technology-enhanced items for use with students, teachers, parents, and others)	Early January

Graduation Examination and Accountability Assessment Implementation

Year	Grade	ECA (IAS 2000 Algebra I, 2006 English 10)	ECA (CCR IAS 2014 Algebra I, English 10)	Grade 10 Summative Assessment	
				Graduation Examination	Accountability Assessment
2014-15	Grade 10	Graduation Examination	Accountability Assessment		
	Grade 11	Retest			
	Grade 12	Retest			
	Adults	Retest			
2015-16	Grade 10	Graduation Examination			X
	Grade 11	Retest			
	Grade 12	Retest			
	Adults	Retest			
2016-17	Grade 10			X	X
	Grade 11	Retest			
	Grade 12	Retest			
	Adults	Retest			
2017-18	Grade 10			X	X
	Grade 11			Retest	
	Grade 12	Retest			
	Adults	Retest			
2018-19	Grade 10			X	X
	Grade 11			Retest	
	Grade 12			Retest	
	Adults	Retest			
2019-20	Grade 10			X	X
	Grade 11			Retest	
	Grade 12			Retest	
	Adults			Retest	

Resources for Assessment Guidance

- School Test Coordinator (STC)
- Corporation Test Coordinator (CTC)
- Office of Student Assessment
 - Telephone: (317) 232-9050
 - Toll Free: (888) 544-7837
 - Fax: (317) 233-2196
 - Email: istep@doe.in.gov
 - Website: <http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment>